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## Good Evening:

Attached and below is the most recent Pollution Report (POLREP) regarding:

**USEPA Region II** 

Niagara Falls Boulevard Radiological Site 9524-9540 Niagara Falls Boulevard, Niagara Falls, NY

Regards,

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## From July 14, 2016 through August 22, 2016 the following tasks/events occurred:

- On July 14, 2016, the deputy division director verbally authorized \$500,000 in mitigation funding.
- OSC Daly, HP Nguyen, Weston (3) and Guardian (RM, FCA, 2 Operators and 3 Techs) mobilized to Siteon August 1, 2016.
- GNBC Front Office-The construction of a new storage room in the GNBC building was completed. All business materials/showroom samples were relocated to that new room. The deconstruction of the front office and removal of the concrete flooring was completed. Excavation of the

contaminated layer of asphalt/slag continued through this time range. This material was placed in cubic yard boxes and sealed within the office area. Then the boxes were swiped for removable contamination prior to leaving the decon area and transported to the storage container. Approximately 40 cubic yards of material has been removed from the GNBC Front Office at the time of this report.

- Preparation of Area 5 for excavation has commenced.
- On August 8, 2016, Niagara County Health Department representatives visited the Site.
- On August 16, 2016, OSC Daly contacted the City of Niagara Code of Enforcement to initiate meeting regarding the GNBC Office rebuild.
- On August 17, 2016, USEPA held a phone conference with NYSDEC regarding disposal of concrete at NYS landfill.

## **Anticipated Activities:**

- The crew will stabilize the GNBC Office structure due to inefficient roof support. Weston structural engineer has determined that the support for the roof was not up to code and therefore additional support poles will be installed.
- The crew will complete excavation and staging of contaminated material from the GNBC Office structure.
- Once the excavation of the contaminated layer in GNBC Office is completed, gamma survey of the excavated footprint will be conducted. Once the health physicist determines area passes gamma criteria, soil samples will be collected from the footprint for analysis. The lab analytical takes approximately four weeks for preliminary results. Once laboratory results are received and evaluated, it will be determined if backfilling with clean material can commence. Once backfilled, the concrete floor will be poured and the room constructed.
- AHigh-purity Germanium (HPGe) Detector is tentatively scheduled to be mobilized to the Site the week of September 7, 2016. This will provide the technical team an "on-site lab" in which they can run soil samples in the field and allow the crew to backfill in a shorter period of time.
- The nextproposed area for outside excavation will be the western wooded area near the Rapids Bowling Alley (Area 5). This is a remote area of the property and will allow the least amount of interference to the business operations/patrons. Once on-site lab set up and personnel trained, excavation of more sensitive areas will commence in coordination with business operators.

- GES will finalize bid for transport and disposal of contaminated material.
- USEPA has been coordinating with NYS, Niagara County and local representatives throughout the assessment/removal process.

To view this POLREP, please open the attachment.

For additional information regarding this site, please visit the website by clicking on this link: http://www.epaosc.org/NiagaraFallsBoulevardRadiological